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Merci Bien!

CAPITAL CITY SQUARES is heading for its annual Graduation Hoe–down on Saturday, May 30. Therefore, it is time to thank those special people who have made it possible for us to celebrate the completion of another and exciting square dance class year.

First, we need to thank Robin for successfully completing her second year as instructor-caller of the new Mainstream class that will formally graduate at the end of this month. She has put in a lot of hours both in the planning and the teaching of the new Club members. As a teacher myself, I know that the former often takes more time than the latter.

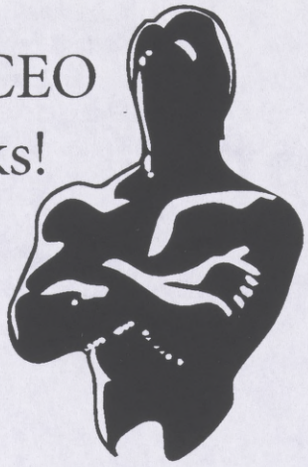
We also need to thank Kris for completing her umpteenth year as the Plus class instructor. And she did it while holding down a job and pursuing a second career as a money making (sometimes) professional bowler! Congratulations, Kris!

Finally, we need to thank George, who has steered the Club through one of its most difficult and most successful years of existence. George has helped the Board and the Club wend its often murky way through incorporation and financial crises that might have defeated less stout hearted leaders. We are all lucky that George was here when the ---- hit the fan at the start of this class year.

So we truly have a lot and a lot of people to thank and to celebrate at our Graduation Hoedown this year. The troubles we suffered this last year have provided us with a stability that will serve us well in the years to come.

Thanks to all of you!

The CEO Speaks!



WHILE THE ABOVE silhou ette may look impos–ing, this CEO finds it amusing (how 'bout "belly laugh"?) that some consider him (the CEO") "intimidating."

My thanks to all. There are things that have happened in the last month that have resulted first in my chewing my nails to the wrist and then feeling the love and support of those around me (both in and out of the Club). I do appreciate the latter; it means a GREAT DEAL to feel your confidence.

FIFE'S. Wow! As usual, I was a nervous wreak before the event. As usual, my fears were unfounded. My thanks to Tom for his work early on in setting up the Veteran's Memorial Hall and preliminary work at Fife's Resort itself. I also gota say thank you to the Sonoma County Parks and Rec (Beverly, especially) for really going the extra mile when a "detail" wasn't quite right and to Eric and Paul at Fife's for their ability and willingness to totally revamp plans for the retreat as needed! Nate, KUDOS for your fine calling at the dances and for your ability to mix levels at "floor level" workshops while still teaching all of us a lot about square dancing (write that book, Nate!). I do believe everyone had a great time! The entire staff at Fife's did a wonderful job of "catering" to us before the resort was even "open." I must commend Art and Jeff on the cake they built for the retreat. Truly a work of art (so to speak)—the Club banner edible miniature—Thank You. (Thanks also to Kas and Bill for transporting it—tho' how you balanced it for 2 1/2 hours on that motorcycle . . . .) And James, thanks for your unique method of ventilating the hall! To all those who attended, thanks for making it that much more special for me! Whomever I missed, forgive me . . . (I don't know a thing about Colton/Charles, Matt/??, or who got over–served at Rainbow Friday night!!)

Last month I requested some insight into (a) why the numbers of attendees to the weekly club/class night had dropped and (b) what to do about it. The Board did receive one written response, unfortunately not fully researched, to (a) above, which has been taken under advisement, and little response to (b). The Board is ever open to help and commitment from membership. Please, the more insight the better. Thanks.

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome the new Board members to the Board of Directors. This year, "by acclamation" (e.g. no election needed), Hugh and Kas are our new Board members. Welcome, and thank you for joining this happy group of "power–mad autocrats." We can really use the help. My thanks to (exiting Board member) David for all his work on the Board the past two years, particularly in the areas of insurance and incorporation, and to Dan for filling in the last few months. Feel free to join in at Board meetings any time. (Hugh, ever the shy, mention the possibility, after the Board meeting, of starting a square dance club in Stockton. This is wonderful news! Sorry, Hugh, I've forgotten the tentative name!)

The yard sale held May 2 (my mom's birthday—she'll love that connection) was a success, netting the Club $178.20 in barely 4 hours.

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May Board Minutes

29 April 1992

THIS MONTH'S MEETING at Bill and Michael's was well attended. Present for festivities were Robin, Fay, Rick A., George, Rick C., David, Kas, Kris, Cindy, Hugh, Michael, Bill, and Mark.

The evening's first topic was a letter written to the Board from Club member Larry Kellogg expressing his opinion of reasons for the recent slump in attendance on dance nights.

The second topic was the possibility of having a "fun dance night" again this year with no instruction, just dancing if enough people are interested.

3rd topic—Bill suggested that the Club print and publish an official annual financial/social report. The motion was made and passed.

4th topic—Robin suggests that the Club print a list of the current benefits that members receive by being in the Club and exactly what their dues entitle them to.

5th topic—Welcome to the newly elected Board members: Kas Christopher and Hugh Hayes. Thank you to out–going members David Levy and Kenric Brown. Choosing positions on the Board was easy. Everyone agreed that the Club would be best served if George continued his fine efforts as CEO. Rick will continue as Treasurer, and I will continue to tote the pen and paper. Kas will step in as Social Director. I believe that I heard rumblings from Rick C. that he is eager to take over for Pete and Larry as soda toter when their term is complete (maybe it was water carrier?).

6th topic—A potluck/events planning Board meeting that all non–Board members are encouraged to attend has been scheduled for Wednesday, June 3rd. The Potluck/pool party will begin at 6 PM with the Board meeting at 7. The party is at Bill and Michael's.

7th topic—Other scheduled pot–lucks: July 18th in Folsom at Rick and Rick's, August 22nd in Citrus Heights at Bill and Michael's. Brent and Fergie have expressed a desire to host one, but a date hasn't been set.

8th topic—Summer dancing! George says we can continue dancing at the school through June 30th. Summer dancing has been scheduled for July 14 and 28, August 11 and 25, and September 8 and 22. This is all tentative upon finding somewhere to dance and someone to turn the discs or tapes.

9th topic—Rick had made a call regarding our working the primary elections June 2nd. The woman he spoke with told him to call back closer to election time. He will start a list for interested parties to sign up.

10th topic—Graduation Hoe-down—the Club badges will be ready by then (May 30).

11th topic—Treasurer's report — $1,960.00 in the bank.

12th topic—George reports that an application for the Freedom Fair (June 20) has been sent in. Booth set up begins at 9 AM, and the fair begins at 10. We will provide sign up cards and 3–fold flyers designed by Michael's in–house graphic artist, Bill. David Levy will provide the cute cowboy and western decorations that spruce up the booth. Volunteers will be needed to work the booth in 2–hour shifts.

13th topic—Club polo shirts. Steven Star may have an idea as to where we can have them printed. Kas will also research the possibilities.

14th topic—Robin's cousin is a member of a Unitarian Church that is interested in having a beginning square dance mini class. They have asked Robin to teach the class, and the Board agreed to make Club equipment available for this event. There is a possibility of having angels volunteer to dance and maybe even a demonstration square. The church has 54 members, 6 of which are openly gay (4 women and 2 men). We could even end up with some new Club members through this!

15th topic—George received a request that next year attendees be given more of a choice of where they stay at Fife's.

16th topic—Robin suggested that the Club offer an incentive to current members to bring their friends to square dancing. For example, if a current member sponsors a new dancer and the new dancer finishes the year, the

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Coming Events

🕊 signifies an ostensibly "straight" event

May

1-3	FCD Retreat, Wildwood Ranch (way up the hill from Guerneville, CA).
1-3	"Ropin' the River" (Howard Richman), Grand River Squares, Grand Rapids, MI.
1-3	🕊 Silver State Convention, (multiple callers & levels), Reno, NV
2	CCS Von Traash Family Garage Sale.
8-10	"Pass the Ocean Hon" Chesapeake Squares Fly-In (Anne Uebelacker, Glenn Matthew, & Dale Hodge) Rehoboth Beach, DE (if it's still there!).
8-10	1st Fly-In (Shelby Dawson), T-Squares, Tucson, AZ.
8-10	IGRA Saguaro Regional Rodeo, Tucson, AZ.
8-10	🕊 PACE Advanced & Challenge Weekend (George Monaghan), Hayward, CA..
9	WSD Dance (Eric Henerlau),San Francisco, CA.
15-17	🕊 California Singles 25th Anniversary Square Dance Weekend, San Jose, CA
17	Dances A1-C2 (John Sybalsky), Midnight Squares, San Francisco, CA..
22-24	IGRA Great Plains Regional Rodeo, Oklahoma City, OK.
29-31	"Triple Scoot to Toronto" (Anne Uebelacker, Joe Uebelacker!), Triangle Squares, Toronto, Ontario.
30	CCS Graduation Hoedown (Jet Roberts), Sacramento, CA.

June

?	Country & Western Weekend, Guerneville, CA.
2	CCS Election Day Fund Raiser, Sacramento, CA.
3	CCS Board Planning/Party/Meeting
13	FCD Dance, San Francisco, CA.
13-14	🕊 PACE Advanced & Challenge Weekend (Vic Ceder), Hayward, CA.
18-20	🕊 26th National Advanced & Challenge Convention, Virginia Beach, VA
20	Sacramento Freedom Fair, McKinley Park, Sacramento, CA..
25-27	🕊 41st National Square Dance Convention, Cincinnati, OH. The IAGSDC will be represented!
27	WSD Pre-Parade Dance, San Francisco, CA.
28	Gay Pride Day, San Francisco, CA.

July

3-5	"Diamonds in the Desert," 9th IAGSDC Convention, Albuquerque, NM.
3-5	IGRA Rocky Mountain Regional Rodeo, Denver, CO.
10-12	🕊 PACE Advanced & Challenge Weekend (Dave Wilson), Hayward, CA.
17-18	🕊 "Dynamite Weekend"(Dave Stevens) TNT's, Friday Night—Ridgepoint School, Sacramento; Saturday Day & Night—Royer Park, Roseville, CA.
24-26	San Francisco Gay Rodeo, San Francisco, CA.
31-A2	IGRA Great Plains Regional Rodeo, Witchita, KS.

May Birthdays

1	**Margaret Coelho**
6	**Pete Combs**
12	**Dick Jaco**
13	**Rodney Palmer**
21	**Michael Gill**
24	**Rick Corell**

Coming Events

August

6-9	8th Annual IGRA Convention (Business Meeting only), Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN.
7-9	PACE Advanced & Challenge Weekend (Ross Howell), Hayward, CA.
8	Old Sacramento Square Dance Festival, Sacramento, CA.
13-15	11th American Advanced & Challenge Convention, Dayton, OH
15	A1 through C-3 all day dances (Vic Cedar), TNT's, Royer Park, Roseville, CA.
29	FCD Dance, San Francisco, CA.

September

4-6	"Great Chicago Crossfire IV," Chi-Town Squares, Chicago, IL.
4-6	IGRA Zia Regional Rodeo, Albuquerque, NM.
6	Sacramento Rainbow Festival, 20th Steet, Sacramento, CA.
11-13	PACE Advanced & Challenge Weekend (Anne Uebelacker), Hayward, CA.
18	Advanced Dance (Tom Manning), Prime 8's, Sacramento, CA.
18-21	Leather Weekend, San Francisco, CA.
24	Bradley Family National Holiday (A day which will live in infamy!).
25-27	San Diego Gay Rodeo, San Diego, CA.
26	CCS New Members Hoedown, Coloma Center, Sacramento, CA.

October

2-4	IGRA Atlantic States Gay Rodeo, Washington, DC.
2-4	"Perk Up in Vancouver"(Anne Uebelacker, Saundra Bryant), 3rd Gay Advanced & Challenge Fly-in, Vancouver, BC.
6	CCS Fall Classes Start, Sacramento, CA.
9-11	"U-Turn Back to Huajatolla" (Jim Palmer), Rocky Mountain Rainbeaus, Cuchara, CO.
10	Names Project Quilt, Washington, DC.
11	National Coming Out Day
23-26	WSD Camp Caz Retreat (Paul Waters), Way up above the Russian River, CA.
23-25	IGRA Finals Rodeo, Phoenix, AZ.
30-N 1	New York Fly-In (Saundra Bryant & Todd Fellegy), Times Squares, New York City, NY

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November

7	FCD Anniversary Dance, San Francisco, CA.
13-15	IGRA Dallas Gay Rodeo, Dallas, TX.
14-15	PACE Advanced & Challenge Weekend (Bronc Wise), Hayward, CA.
27-29	SATB Fly-In (Paul Waters, Ray Brendzy), Stars Across the Border, Vancouver, BC.

Local Contacts:

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Prime 8's
Art (916) 966-1734 Del (916) 446-4396

WSD Western Star Dancers
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FCD Foggy City Dancers
Ken (415) 821-0417 Mike (415) 695-1376

MS Midnight Squares
Roger (415) 664-0513 Claire (415) 861-1979

ECR El Camino Reelers
Randy (415) 961-7504

PACE
James (916) 925-4242 Nancy (415) 479-7076

The CEO Speaks!
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Thank you to all who donated and/or participated. John, thanks for organizing this and allowing your yard to be trampled. You did good, kid. Club—keep in mind we are tentatively having another in September or October—don't throw nothin' away!

Dances to Come: Western Star Dancers has scheduled an IAGSDC Banner dance for next Saturday, May 9th. They always manage to put on a fun dance with lots of very friendly folks! Eric Henerlau is calling, and it's a great way to support the International Association!

May 30th—the Saturday after Memorial Day, CCS is hosting its last dance before summer. Jet Roberts is calling—you **know** how much fun he is! Be sure to be at Theodore Judah for this one!! A flyer is in this newsletter.

Pre–Gay Pride Day Dance, June 27th—Western Star Dancers puts on a very fun dance the night before Gay Pride Day. Don't miss this (Heck, while yer in San Francisco, stick around for the parade and celebration of Gay Pride the next day!).

June 2nd—Election Day—no dancing at the school (ballot site), but we need about 20 members to help gather ballots at the County Center (off Bradshaw and Highway 50). It's a fun (very fun) opportunity to get some much needed funds for the Club. Details to follow—but you will have a great time.

Lambda Freedom Fair—McKinley Park, June 20th. CCS has reserved booth space to distribute information to fair attendees. It's a lot of fun for all involved—we do need volunteers to help set up, staff, and take the booth down at Fair's end. We'd like at least 2 people at a time for 2–hour rotations to answer basic questions. We'll have info flyers, "interested party" cards to be filled out, and photo albums there. Please join us!

Gay Pride Day, June 28th—Foggy City Dancers is organizing a group to march in the Parade behind the International Association Banner. Any interested folks are encouraged to contact Pat Coleman (S. F.), and the Club Banner may be available, depending upon when it gets shipped to Albuquerque.

Speaking of which: CONVENTION is nearing. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet and dance with gay people from all over the US and Canada (and who knows where else!). We have received Update Number 2 ½ as well as a telephone information number—(505) 291–1034.

We have now confirmed the dates and locations of 2 potluck/swim/dance parties for the summer (drum roll and fanfare please):
July 18 (Saturday): Rick and Rich—Folsom, andAugust 22 (Saturday): Heidi, Bill, and Michael—Citrus Heights
We still hope to fill in May, June, and September—any volunteers! These really are lotsa fun.

Now is the time to begin convincing your family, friends, and neighbors to check into square dancing. While we are scheduled for Lambda Freedom Fair at McKinley Park and the Rainbow Festival (September) as well as an ad/article in the local papers (budget willing), do not forget that THE SPOKEN WORD TO PEO–PLE YOU KNOW is still the best method of getting new members.

Whatever I may have forgotten—I apologize. I try to remember, but I'm no perfect (yet). Since that confession may come as a shock to some (one?) of you, let me just express my extreme anguish at such a sorrowful state! (My halo slipped and tarnished; I'll now polish and adjust like crazy.) Seriously, I do enjoy square dancing. I enjoy the camaraderie, the fun, the out–flowing of love and support. I'm glad to be a part of all this. I'm also glad I've been able to be a part of a Board of Directors that has accomplished quite a bit.

Thanks. My thanks to all of you, especially for your instant forgiveness when I have been, uh, peevish. I guess I'm here another year or so—let's have some more fun!

See ya dancin'

George

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sponsor would possibly receive 1 or 2 months of free dancing. Good idea!

17th topic—Robin made a request for more angels to show up and for the ones who do to be more participative.

Next Board meeting—The potluck Wednesday, June 3rd, at Bill and Michael's. See you there!

Respectfully submitted by

Mark

Diamonds in the Desert

1992 IAGSDC Convention *Albuquerque, New Mexico*

Update #2-1/2 **March 31, 1992**

This update is again made possible by a grant from the Albuquerque '92 Fact or Fiction Foundation, Executive Directors, Terry Wilder and Grace Cummins.

1. This special update is a sneak preview of the fabulous April 30th convention update soon to be at a mailbox near you.

2. What could be so fabulous about a convention update, you ask? How about a special banquet menu review by our stealth restaurant reporter? Or special movie review of every movie ever filmed on location in New Mexico and now available on video for your primer on everything you wanted to know about New Mexico but were afraid to ask. A list of "friendly" bed and breakfast and other little known gay owned businesses in the Land of Enchantment (Mountain Momma Packing and Riding Company meets City Slickers.)

3. As judged by the number of bright pink tour registration forms pouring into our mailbox, the pre-convention and fun badge tours are a hit. Look for more of these fluorescent forms in this club mailing.

4. Albuquerque '92 is proud to announce that Southwest Airlines is our official regional airline of Diamonds in the Desert. Southwest, in cooperation with the 9th Annual I.A.G.S.D.C. Convention, is offering attendees to Diamonds in the Desert a discount on both Southwest's low everyday unrestricted fares and Southwest's even lower restricted fares for travel on Southwest Airlines to Diamonds in the Desert.

To take advantage of these discounts, reservations must be made by phoning Southwest Airlines Group Desk at 1-800-433-5368, Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., for reservations and ticket information. (Because advance bookings are accepted by Southwest only through dates for which schedules have been finalized, reservations for this event may not yet be available for confirmation.) Call no later than June 19, 1992, and refer to identifier code E 31.

Discounts are only available by you or your professional travel agent phoning Southwest Group Desk at 1-800-433-5368, Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., to obtain the best fare applicable for your reservation.

5. River Update. The Albuquerque District Corps of Engineers have been at the Rio Grande with their 6 inch ruler patiently awaiting the spring run-off. We hope to bring further details in the next update.

6. Spending additional time in the Land of Enchantment before or after the convention? The New Mexico Department of Economic Development and Tourism would love to send you a special guide to New Mexico. Contact them at 1-800-545-2040.

ANNOUNCING...

DIAMONDS IN THE DESERT

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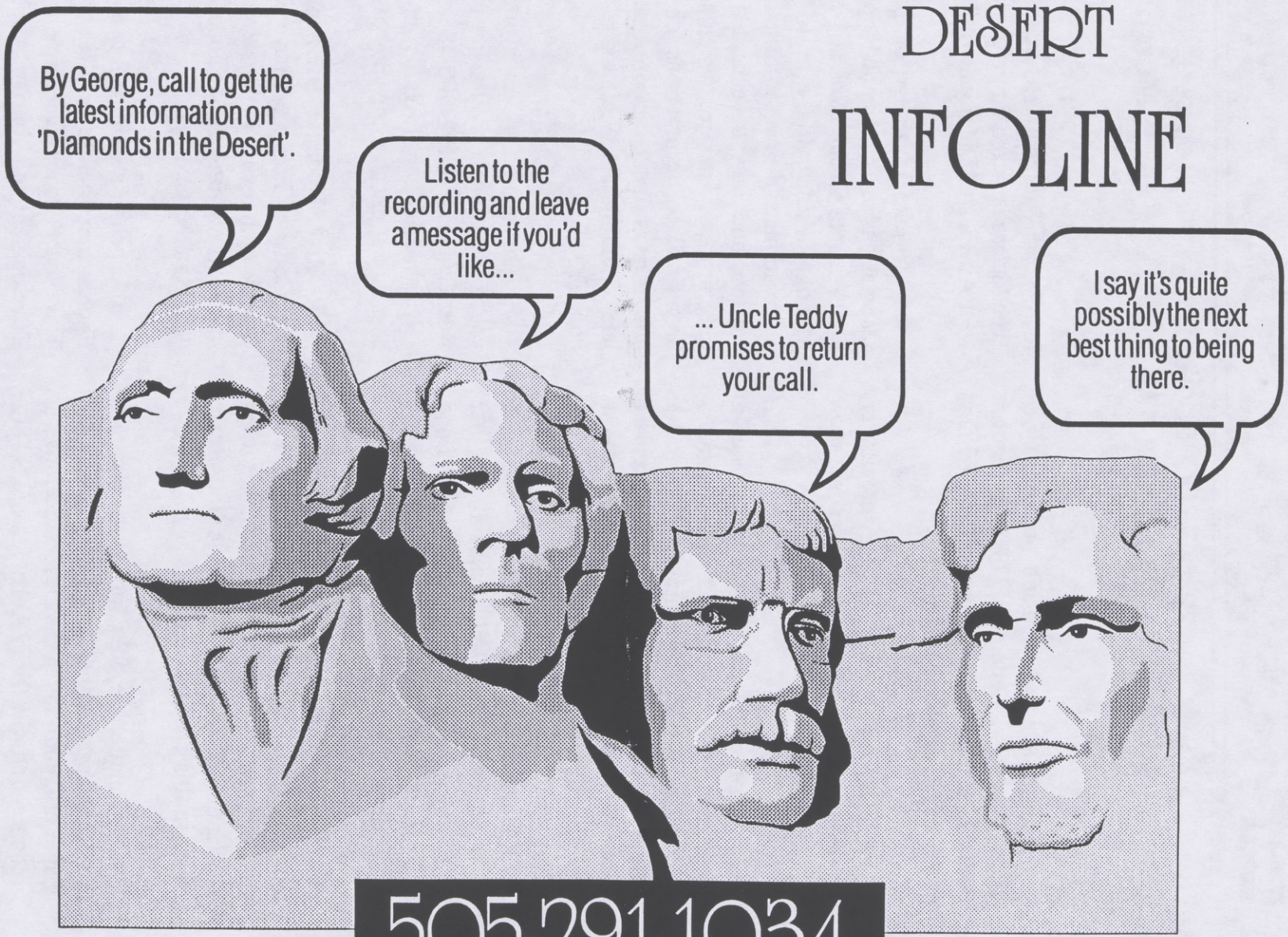
By George, call to get the latest information on 'Diamonds in the Desert'.
Listen to the recording and leave a message if you'd like...
... Uncle Teddy promises to return your call.
I say it's quite possibly the next best thing to being there.

505-291-1034

IAGSDC Banner Dance

with

Eric Henerlau

MAY 9, SATURDAY

ST. PAULUS
(Gough @ Eddy)

7:30 - 10:30, $6

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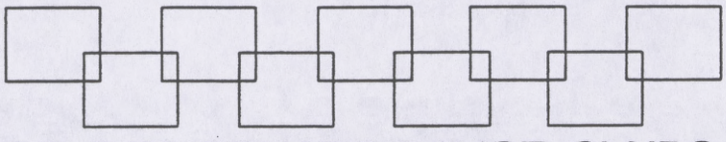

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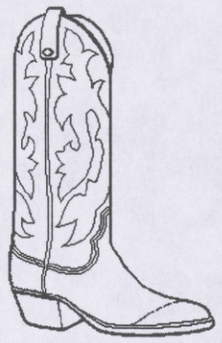

FEATURING JET ROBERTS

Saturday, May 30, 1992
7:00 to 9:30 PM $6.00

Theodore Judah School
3919 McKinley Blvd.
Sacramento, CA

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May 1992

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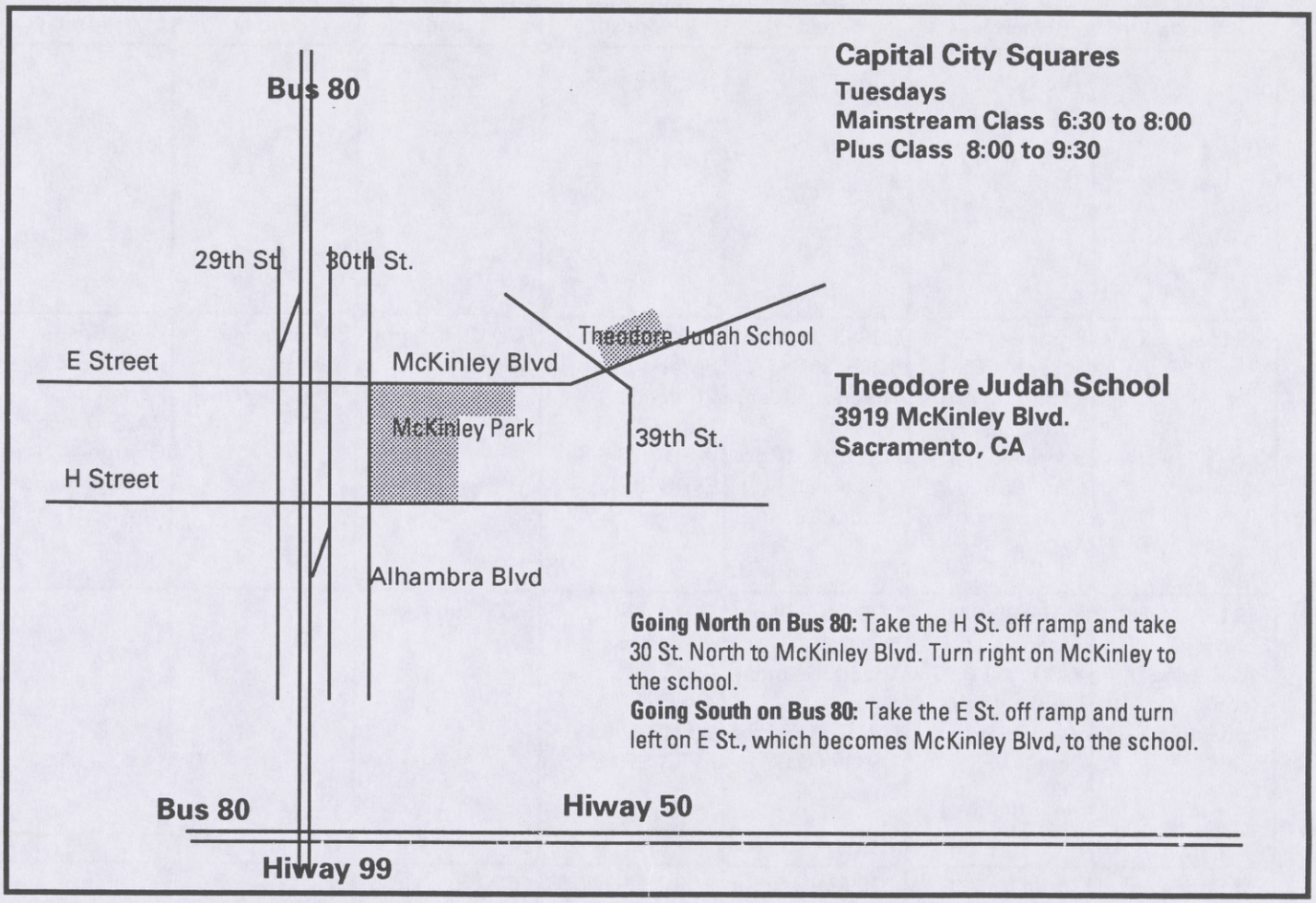

Capital City Squares
Tuesdays
Mainstream Class 6:30 to 8:00
Plus Class 8:00 to 9:30

Theodore Judah School
3919 McKinley Blvd.
Sacramento, CA

Going North on Bus 80: Take the H St. off ramp and take 30 St. North to McKinley Blvd. Turn right on McKinley to the school.
Going South on Bus 80: Take the E St. off ramp and turn left on E St., which becomes McKinley Blvd, to the school.

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